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Docket No. 350013-65

PATENT

Applicant: Ian Baird-Smith et al.

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Title: A CONTAINER CLOSURE

Examiner: R. Hylton Group Art Unit: 3727

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Sir:

In supplement to the Response to the Office Action of February 28, 2001 which was filed on July 30, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 19 as follows to correct a typographical error. A marked up copy of the claim is appended hereto.

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(Amended) A method according to Claim 14 including the steps of:

adding food to the container through a second open end of the container which is

opposite said open end closed by said closure;

closing said second open end by a conventional can end;

heating said food within said container to cook said food; and

preventing rupture of said flexible membrane due to internal container pressure caused by said heating by the presence of said faminar member of said rigid cap.

REMARKS

Please accept this supplemental amendment to correct a typographical error in newly added claim 19.

Applicant requests a two month extension of time to respond to this Office Action and our check in the amount of \$390.00 is enclosed for that purpose. Any extension of time that may